NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT BY THE BOARD FOR THE OPERATION THEREOF, USED OR USEFUL OR HAVING THE PRESENT CAPACITY FOR FUTURE USE IN CONNECTION WITH (1) THE COLLECTION, CONTROL, DISTRIBUTION, CARRYING AWAY, OR DISPOSAL OF SURFACE WATERS, AND ANY INTEGRAL PART THEREOF, INCLUDING (WITHOUT LIMITATION) STORM WATER DRAINAGE; (2) THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF EROSION, AND ANY INTEGRAL PART THEREOF; AND (3) THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF SEDIMENTATION, AND AND INTEGRAL PART THEREOF; "DRAINAGE SYSTEM" DOES NOT INCLUDE DRAINAGE FACILITIES WHICH ARE PART OF A WATER SYSTEM OR SEWEPAGE SYSTEM AND WHICH ARE NOT PART OF A SYSTEM HAVING THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF DRAINING SURFACE WATERS.

(L) "WATER SYSTEM" MEANS ALL PLANTS, SYSTEMS, FACILITIES, OR PROPERTIES USED OR USEFUL OP HAVING THE PRESENT CAPACITY FOR FUTURE USE IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUPPLY OR DISTRIBUTION OF WATER AND ANY INTEGRAL PART THEREOF, INCLUDING WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS, WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS, RESERVOIRS, DAMS, WELLS, INTAKES, MAINS, LATERALS, PUMPING STATIONS, STANDPIPES, FILTRATION PLANTS, PURIFICATION PLANTS, HYDRANTS, METERS, VALVES AND EQUIPMENT, APPURTENANCES, AND ALL PROPERTIES, RIGHTS, EASEMENTS, AND FRANCHISES RELATING THERETO AND DEEMED NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT BY THE BOARD FOR THE OPERATION THEREOF; A WATER SYSTEM MAY INCLUDE RELATED DRAINAGE FACILITIES.

10A-2.

- (A) THE FREDERICK COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION WAS CREATED BY CHAPTER 609 OF THE ACTS OF 1968, EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 1968, AND, AT THE TIME OF ITS CREATION, THE COMMISSION REPLACED AND SUCCEEDED THE DISTRICT (A BODY POLITIC AND CORPORATE) CREATED IN FREDERICK COUNTY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 645 TO 673, INCLUSIVE, OF ARTICLE 43 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME AND 1978 SUPPLEMENT). UPON THE CREATION OF THE COMMISSION, SUCH DISTRICT CEASED TO EXIST AS A BODY POLITIC AND CORPORATE ON JUNE 1, 1968.
- (B) CHAPTER 629 OF THE ACTS OF 1974, CREATED SECTION 2-2A OF THIS ARTICLE, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1974, AND PROVIDED, AMONG OTHER MATTERS, THAT THE BOARD COULD ABOLISH THE COMMISSION BY A CERTAIN PROCEDURE AND CREATE A DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE BOARD TOOK ACTION ON FEBRUARY 14, 1978 BY ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 78-6-104, WHICH ABOLISHED THE FREDERICK COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION AND CREATED THE FREDERICK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. THIS CHAPTER DOES NOT IMPAIR ANY POWER OF THE BOARD PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2A OR OTHER AUTHORITY TO CREATE A DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TO ASSIGN THE DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES TO IMPLEMENT THE BOARD'S ACTIONS UNDER THIS CHAPTER.

10A-3.

ON FEBRUARY 14, 1978, THE FREDERICK COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION CEASED TO EXIST AS A SEPARATE ENTITY. IT IS THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND THAT